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Mr. Gene Beach
President
The Almond Hullers & Processors Association
2350 Lecco Way
Merced, California 95340

Dear Mr. Beach:

Thank you for agreeing to serve on our new Air Quality and Agriculture Advisory Committee. We rescheduled the first meeting at the request of several Committee members. The kick-off meeting is now set for:

Date: July 12, 2000
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
(followed by lunch)
Location: California Farm Bureau
2300 River Plaza Drive
Sacramento, California 95833

The Advisory Committee will provide a forum to identify and promote clean air strategies related to agriculture. The Committee includes a diverse group of representatives from the California Department of Food and Agriculture; California farms and the businesses and institutions that support them; federal, State and local government; and research scientists. A list of confirmed Committee members, a map, and agenda are enclosed.

We anticipate that the Advisory Committee will meet twice a year to address topics identified by ARB and the Committee members. Possible topics include:

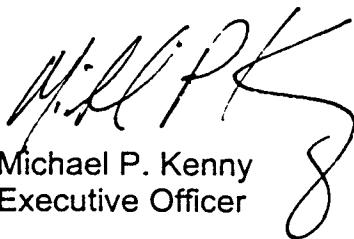
- Incentive programs to reduce air pollution from agricultural sources,
- Voluntary programs to meet federal and State clean air requirements,
- Introduction of advanced clean air technologies to the agricultural sector,
- Recognition of air quality benefits from innovative agricultural practices,
- Research studies and practical applications of the results, and
- Use of biomass and other renewables from agricultural operations.

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Please let us know whether you will be able to attend the meeting, or if you plan to send an alternate, by contacting Ms. Cynthia Marvin, Chief, Air Quality and Transportation Planning Branch, at (916) 322-7236. Also, please notify her if additional members of your organization will be observing the Committee Meeting so we have an accurate count for the luncheon arrangements.

Thank you again for your participation on the Air Quality and Agriculture Advisory Committee. If you have questions, please call me at (916) 445-4383.

Sincerely,



Michael P. Kenny
Executive Officer

Enclosures

cc: (with Enclosures)
Honorable Board Members